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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/780,774	Applicant(s) SHIRAKAWA ET AL.	
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c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 19-22.

Identification of prior art discussed: Sawada et al. (U.S. Patent 6,263,667) and Ito et al. (U.S. Patent 5,655,363).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's argument that Ito et al. fail to teach or suggest suspending an abnormality determination of a NOx catalyst, is persuasive; therefore, the claims are allowable pending further search and consideration.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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